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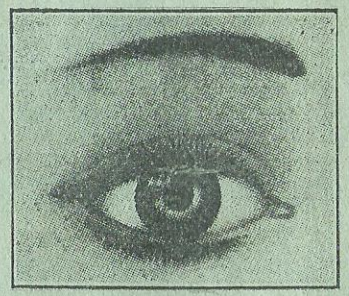
For  Trouble

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OFF-SIDE.

When a player plays the ball, any player of the same side who at such moment of playing is nearer to his opponent's goal-line is out of play, and may not touch the ball himself, nor in any way whatever interfere with an opponent, or with the play, until the ball has been again played, unless there are at such moment of playing at least two of his opponents nearer their own goal-line. A player is not out of play when the ball is kicked off from goal, when a corner-kick or a throw-in is taken, when the ball has been last played by an opponent, or when he himself is within his own half of the field of play at the moment the ball is played by any player of the same side.

It is not a breach of the law for a player to be in an off-side position but only when in that position he interferes with an opponent or with the play. If a player who is in an off-side position advances toward an opponent, or the ball, and in so doing causes the play to be affected, he should be penalised.

LAW 9.

Tripping, Kicking, Jumping at.—Neither tripping, kicking, striking nor jumping at a player shall be allowed.

"Hand."—A player (the goalkeeper, within his own penalty area, excepted), shall not intentionally handle the ball.

Holding, Pushing.—A player shall not use his hands to hold or push an opponent.

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Mr. MALCOLM TAYLOR, Civil Servant. Assistant Manager. President of West Province Football Club. Member of the executive of S.A.F.A.

HORACE SMETHURST, M.C. Captain. Sporting goods salesman in Johannesberg, born in Natal. Played for Transvaal; both he and his brother Norman were Captain of South African team in 1939. Horace was the baby of the team that toured Rhodesia in 1939; today, the oldest man in the team in Australia.

WALLY NICHOLSON, M.M., of Natal. Played Inter-State when still a schoolboy, only a week after he had played Rugby for Natal and scored the whole 16 points for them.

J. PECKERILL, one of the best all round sports in South Africa. Was the first man to reach his 1,000 runs in cricket for Transvaal; was regarded as a certainty for inclusion in the Test Team at present touring England, but elected to come with the Soccer Team to Australia. Plays for South Africa as inside forward in the hockey team, is squash champion of famous Wanderers. Is a 10 handicap golfer, and as a junior, he defeated the present South African Tennis champion, Eric Sturgess.

H. D. McCREADIE, plays for own Province on lots of occasions, versatile player, plays in any position. Now playing Right Full Back.

E. DOWELL, Left Full Back, also versatile; Captain of South Province.

C. KURLAND, Right Half Back, Captain of North Transvaal and Inter-State matches, played for S.A. against England, 1939.

H. NAISCH, also played for North Transvaal as Centre Half.

D. FORBES, Left Half Back. Celebrates his 21st birthday on the day of the match, although so young, he has played Inter-State on numerous occasions.

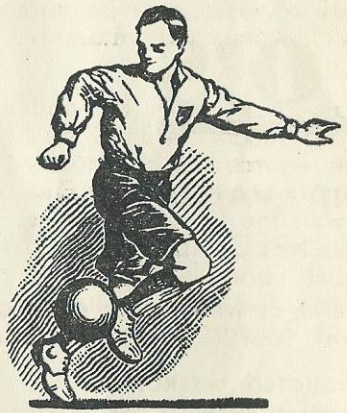
D. WILSON, Outside Right, plays for Transvaal also for South Africa against England in 1939.

G. FAULKENOR, Inside Right. Brainy forward with powerful shot has played for South Transvaal on numerous occasions.

B. CLARKE, Centre Forward, plays any inside position. Plays for South Transvaal.

L. ONLEY, one of the most promising players of Natal. Can also play as Inside Forward.

We regret that we could not interview all the players, but to those we missed, we send our greetings, and wish all players a most successful tour—The Publishers.



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There are many minor alterations to the rules this season which tend to speed up the game, the most notable of which is that the goal kick must now be kicked direct from the area, and not tipped to the goal-keeper to punt the ball. It must also travel outside the penalty area or be retaken.

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